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SUBJECT: PRESS SPECULATION ON REASSIGNMENT OF AMBASSADOR

- 1. BRAZILIAN PRESS APRIL 6 CARRIES STORIES BASED ON WIRE-SERVICE REPORT (APPARENTLY AP) FROM WASHINGTON TO THE EFFECT THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER CONSIDERING APPOINTING AMBASSADOR CRIMMINS AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INTERAMERICAN AFFAIRS REPLACING WILLIAM D. ROGERS, WHO WOULD BECOME UNDER SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.
- 2. PRESS REPORTS SPECULATE THAT CRIMMINS' REPLACEMENT OF ROGERS IS PART OF SERIES OF CHANGES AT UPPER LEVEL OF DEPARTMENT WHICH WOULD ALSO HAVE UNDERSECRETARY ROBINSON BECOME DEPUTY SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY PHILIP HABIB BECOMING DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS. REPORTS FURTHER SPECULATE THAT DESIGNATION OF BRAZILIAN EXPERT SUCH AS CRIMMINS, IS INTENDED TO STRENGTHEN BILATERAL BRAZILIAN CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM AGREED TO BY KISSINGER DURING FEBRUARY VISIT.
- 3. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN COULD CLARIFY THESE REPORTS AT TODAY'S NOON BRIEFING.

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4. EXPECT INQUIRIES AT ANY MOMENT AND PLAN TO USE THE FOLLOWING

STATEMENT UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT PREFERS A DIFFERENT VERSION. REQUEST DEPARTMENT REPLY BY TELEPHONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

BEGIN STATEMENT: "WITH RESPECT TO REPORTS CARRIED IN VARIOUS NEWSPAPERS SPECULATING THAT AMBASSADOR CRIMMINS WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INTERAMERICAN AFFAIRS, THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES WISHES TO STATE THAT THESE REPORTS ARE NOT CORRECT. AMBASSADOR CRIMMINS WILL REMAIN IN BRAZIL AS CHIEF OF MISSION." END OF STATEMENT. CRIMMINS

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